

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL – MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 MARCH 2019**

**Cllrs Present: Cllr. Paul Carnell, Cllr. John Jupe, Cllr. Cliff Morris, Cllr. Derek Pretty, Cllr. Jane Welsh (Chair)**

**In attendance: Chetana Greenwood, Allotment Association  
Maria Ross, Allotment Association  
Donna Langdon, The Fitness Don  
Judi Green, Wildern Opportunities Group  
Nicola Warner, Wildern Opportunities Group**

**R128 Apologies: Cllr Margaret Allingham, Cllr. Dave Kinloch**

**R129 Minutes & Matters Arising Meeting of 13 February 2019**

The Minutes were signed and agreed as a true and correct record by the Chair. Councillors raised that there is an issue with CKH Utilities use of Rodaway and not being compliant with the agreement. **RESOLVED:** The Town Clerk to investigate and report back.

**R130 Correspondence:**

- (i) Hedge End Rangers requested the use of the Rodaway on Saturday Mornings, 30 March, 6 April, 4 May and 11 May 2019 for the under 17 girls team. **RESOLVED:** Subject to the pitch being playable councillors approved this.
- (ii) The Fitness Don requested the use of Rodaway grounds for bootcamp style fitness sessions on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30-10.30am and possibly 6.30-7.30pm. Donna outlined that the sessions would take place away from the football pitches. **RESOLVED:** That the proposal be agreed.
- (iii) Wildern Opportunity Group requested to:
  - Retain the 3<sup>rd</sup> shed and paint in a complementary colour to the fencing. **RESOLVED:** That this is agreed.
  - Paint the 2<sup>nd</sup> Shed in the same colour. **RESOLVED:** That this is agreed.
  - Paint the fencing in the original colours. **RESOLVED:** That this is agreed.
  - Provide Planters. **RESOLVED:** that a more suitable raised planter be considered to run alongside the wall.
  - Provide Sensory Boards. **RESOLVED:** That this be agreed subject to liaison with the Operations Manager on fixings.
  - Add leaf camouflage to metal shed. **RESOLVED:** That this is agreed.
- (iv) A resident contacted HETC regarding the Westward Road Play Area has a basketball court which when it rains its unusable due to the standing water. **RESOLVED:** The Town Clerk to ask the Operations Manager to explore the further.
- (v) Hedge End Junior Cricket Club requested the use of Turnpike Cricket Ground for the summer of 2019, Wednesday training 6pm-7.30pm. Friday matches 6pm-9pm from May until the end of July. **RESOLVED:** That this be agreed, subject to satisfactory insurances.

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### R131 Allotments

- (i) Allotment Holders Sheds - the Town Clerk outlined the work that the allotment committee had done on unauthorised sheds. Councillors agreed that the concerns were the grass greenhouse on plot F1. **RESOLVED:** That these are accepted with the exception of the green house on plot F1. The Operations Manager to investigate and advise.
- (ii) Request for a postbox to be installed at the allotments Chetana explained the rationale for having a postbox. Councillors were concerned that normal procedure would be for post to be sent to the treasurer as having a post box could invite unintended consequences and be subject to vandalism. Councillors suggested that the town council may consider receiving the post. The Town Clerk will explore this option. **RESOLVED:** The Allotment Holders to request this of the Treasurer in the first instance.

### R132 Operations Manager Report

#### Albert Road Cemetery

- 6 internments since last R and A meeting – 5 burial and 1 internment of ashes. Again, the burials have been completed by our own staff to a fantastic standard. It is not easy work.
- The Albert Road and War Memorial Green Flag judging will take place in April.

#### Allotments

- Amended T and C's will begin on April 15th. At this time a combination lock will be installed.
- There are currently no empty plots and a waiting list of 0.
- Councillors asked about the Disabled Allotment and Disabled Toilet. There has been no further correspondence on this, however the plots have been held.

#### Aspen Close Woodland

- A main sewage pipe has been damaged by a windthrown tree, this has caused damage to the pipe and Southern Water are repairing this. As part of the works some of the Crack Willow Trees have been felled.

#### Bowling Club

- There was an attempted break in through side gate causing minor damage which was reported to the police. It was repaired by Groundstaff.

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### Conservation Volunteers

- This month's session will take place within the woodland and pond areas adjacent Tollbar Way in Dowds Farm. To include path clearance, selective scrub clearance and litter pick.

### Dowds Farm

- The proposed Lake/ pond draining, and restocking has now been postponed until Autumn 2019.
- Fishing is due to commence on 1st April with Eastleigh and District Angling Club.

### HEYCA

- **Car park block paving repairs** – Due for completion this week.
- **Emergency Fire Door** – The door has been installed to a high standard. Repairs to the adjacent walls to be included in the decoration work.
- **Fire Risk Assessment and Health and Safety audit** – This has now taken place, we are waiting for the final report. HETC were praised for their fast response to the storage issues.
- **Building modifications to storage area by previous committee** – Initial investigations indicate that the electrics are poorly installed, and the construction is inadequate.

### Nature Reserve

- Grazing is due to start in April May.
- 'Friends of Wildern Local Nature Reserve' continue their monitoring of species. Their Facebook group provides updates and photography. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2030431683870743/>

### Norman Rodaway

- There was an attempted break in through fire door causing minor damage which was reported to the police.

### Woodhouse Lane

- Hazel and Hawthorn whips have been planted around the sound fencing, in time (and providing they establish) this will eventually hide the fence.